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In re application of: :
John Horansky :
Serial No.: 10/014,537 : DECISION ON
Filed: October 26, 2001 : PETITION
For: CO-EXTRUDED PIGMENTED/CLEAR COATED POLYMERIC
COATING FOR AN ARTICLE SUCH AS AUTOMOTIVE
EXTERIOR BODY PANELS :

This is a response to the REQUEST TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.181, filed January 08, 2004. The request asks that the abandonment, as set forth in the Notice of Abandonment of December 31, 2003, for failure to timely file a proper response to the Office letter dated June 20, 2003 be withdrawn. The requester asserts that applicant timely filed a proper response and a Petition for Extension of Time on December 19, 2003.

DECISION

The instant request is accepted as a timely petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.181 (no fee).

A review of the petitioner's evidence provided with the instant petition indicates that the request has merit. The evidence presented is sufficient to establish that the applicant did file the proper response to the Office letter of June 20, 2003 in a timely manner. The evidence provided includes: 1) a copy of the Response and Request for a three-month Extension of Time with an executed Certificate of Facsimile Transmission dated December 19, 2003; and 2) a copy of the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission sheet confirming receipt of the Response and Request for Extension of Time by the USPTO dated December 19, 2003.



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Therefore, the abandonment is hereby withdrawn, and the application is returned to pending status. The application will be forwarded to the Technical Support Staff for entering of the Response dated December 19, 2003 and then forwarded to the examiner for prompt consideration.

The Petition is **GRANTED.**

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